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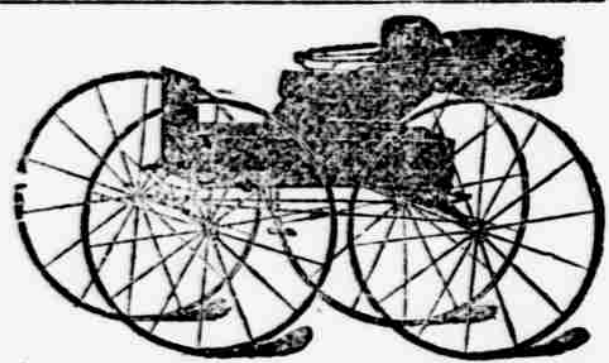
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WEBSTER COUNTY AND RED CLOUD.

We take the following complimentary notice of Webster county, and Red Cloud, from the South Bend, (Ind.) Tribune, written by G. R. Chaney, of this city, formerly of that city. In this regard, we would say, that if our citizens would write letters descriptive of the county, to their eastern newspapers it would be the means of bringing a large number of people to Webster county.

Although my acquaintance among the readers of the Tribune is not very extensive, a sketch descriptive of the country and climate in southern Nebraska, may not be uninteresting.

The general surface of the country here is undulating, and bedecked with beautiful cottages, artificial groves and cultivated fields and gardens, extending as far as the eye can reach, from almost any point on the upland. The Republican river runs from west to east through the southern tier of counties, at an average distance of about six miles from the Kansas line. In this (Webster) county, there are twelve brooks of living water running from six to twelve miles north into this river, and fourteen running from about the same distance south. Along these streams is more or less timber, the principal varieties of which are oak, walnut, ash, hickory, cotton-wood, elm and box-elder. There has been considerable red cedar, but it has mostly been cut and used in fencing. In places the timber is quite plenty, and with careful and judicious use, will be sufficient for home consumption. The farmers too are planting large quantities, which seem to be doing well. The varieties which seem to do best are cotton-wood, elm, box-elder and mulberry. The Russian mulberry is probably the most profitable tree that can be cultivated here, as it grows into fuel as soon as any other, and produces a most delicious fruit. Fruit trees do well here as soon as the ground is tamed by cultivation. Those who fail to raise fruit trees here, fail to properly till the ground. The climate is mild, even and dry. This winter has been very mild and pleasant. We have had but two bad disagreeable days here this winter. Our coldest days the mercury was only 15° below zero, and the men not over two days at any one time. There has been no rain to speak of since November, and but little snow. It rained three or four days continuously just before it froze up, and there has been no thawing and freezing to make it muddy, hence the roads have been smooth all winter. We have had some rain and a little snow this spring since the ground began to thaw, and the old settlers say the ground is in the best condition it has ever been, and the prospects for crops the best ever known. In 1870 this county had a population of 19. It was organized in 1873, and in 1880 had a population of 7,104, and it is claimed that she now has a population of at least 10,000. It is the best watered county in the state, hence one of the best stock counties. W. N. Richardson, of this place, paid the B. & M. R. R. Co., over \$36,000 for freight shipped from this point in 1883, besides what he paid for stock shipped from other points. This is the largest freight bill paid by any one man in the state for that year. Red Cloud is the county seat situated near the Republican river, on the main line of the B. & M. railroad, 220 miles southwest of Omaha, 280 miles northwest of Kansas City and 374 miles east of Denver. In 1880 Red Cloud had a population of 600, while to-day her population will number 1,800. She is encircled on the north and east by a stream of living water large enough for most purposes, and which will supply the city with abundant pure water. She is a division of the B. & M. railroad, one branch running direct from Kansas City to Denver and the other by way of Omaha, Lincoln, Hastings and Red Cloud to Denver. The B. & M. have their eating house, round house and repair shops here, and are taking an active interest in the growth and prosperity of our town. The C. B. & Q. of which the B. & M. is a branch, by the way, is the best railroad west of Chicago, and affords the best, cheapest and safest transportation to people coming west. They have just supplanted the Pullman palace car by what they call the "Pleades," which is a much finer and more convenient car, and is run from Chicago to Denver. This car, on the outside, is very similar to the Pullman, but on the inside, it is quite different. Each party can have a separate compartment to himself, if he so desires. Added to the ordinary accommodations of the Pullman, is the pantry and lunch compartment, which is under the care of a porter, whose duty it is to furnish such refreshments as the passengers may desire. Connected with this compartment, is an electric bell, similar to the bell system of first-class hotels. This arrangement does away with the regular dining room car, and gives each passenger the privilege of ordering such lunch and at such times as his appetite may demand, and of eating the same in his own compartment. This car is of the very latest and best pattern and elaborately and luxuriantly furnished. It comes as near affording all the conveniences of home upon wheels as can well be imagined. The people of the west are very proud of this latest and best of all modern improvements in railroad travel, being first introduced on this road. All who come west should give it a trial.